Achievement of the Objectives Set Out in the Health for All

3257. DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR: PROF. (SHRIMATI) BHARATI RAY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether goals and objectives of Health for All 2000 AD are nearing the stages of completion;

(b) to what extant these goals and targets set-up earlier have been released till date;

(c) what is the reason for the under achievement; and

(d) what steps are being taken to see that the objectives are achieved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI): (a) to (d) A review of the achievement of goals set out in the National Health Policy, 1983, indicates that only some of the goals are likely to be achieved in full by 2000 AD. These relate to the Infant Mortality Rate, Crude Death Rate, Life Expectancy at Birth, Immunisation goals for pregnant women and infants and elimination of leprosy.

The non-achievement of targets in some cases can be attributed to inadequacy of health manpower and infrastucture in a uniform manner across States, lack of awaraness among the people in availing of health services particularly the preventive measures, remoteness of certain areas, and generally poor socioeconomic indices. The Central Government has assisted the states through the implementation of specific National Disease Control and Child Survival and safe motherhood Programmes and by availing of external assistance to selectively upgrade the health infrastructure in rural areas.

Who/World Bank Assisted purchase of programmes medicines/equipments

3258. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of WHO/World Bank assisted purchase programmes of medicines/equipments undertaken by his Ministry, year-wise, during the last two years; and

(b) whether any such purchases were not made in time, if so what are the details of lapses and extensions sought or withdrawal of such purchase?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI RAMAKANT D. KHALAP): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Government and Private Blood Banks in Country Capable of HIV Tests

3259. DR. GOPALRAO VITHALRAO PATIL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Government and Private Blood Banks functioning in our country;

(b) how many of them are capable of carrying HIV tests;

(c) the number of people having contracted HIV infection because of blood transfusion; and what measures Government propose to take to prevant the Spread of HIV through blood transfustion;

(d) the average cost of testing blood before transfusion; and

(e) whether Government will help these Blood Banks monetarily so that poor people can get blood transfusion at reasonable cost?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI) : (a) There are 391

Government and 427 Private licensed Blood Banks functioning in our country.

(b) All these blood banks are capable of carrying HIV tests.

(c) As per reports available the HIV transmission by transfusion of blood and blood products ranges between 6-8 per cent. The Drugs and Cosmetics Act/ Rules provide necessary testing of blood for Human Immuno-Deficiency Virus (FIV). This is being monitored by Drugs Controller General (India) and State through inspection of blood banks for grant/renewal of Blood Bank licence.

(d) The average cost of testing of blood before approximately comes to Rs. 300-350 per unit.

(e) To help Blood Banks to build up their capabilities to make safe blood available for poor people for the medicare programme, the Blood Safety Component of National AIDS Control Programme, presently under implementation, provides assistance in the form of cash and commodity.

Withdrawal of Anti-Allergic Drugs from the Market

3260. SHRI SUNDER SINGH BHANDARI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether some anti-allergic drugs have been withdrawn from the market if so, which are the drugs or their combinations and since when;

(b) whether warning notices are being carried on packages of each drugs; and

(c) details of the companies marketing these drugs and what steps have been taken to implement the orders?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI RAMAKANT D. KHALAP): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Recently, State Licensing Authorities have been advised to ask units manufacturing Terfenadine formulation, a new antihistamine to incorporate a warning about the reported adverse reactions of the drug in the package insert and other literature.

(c) In view of (a) above, does not arise.

AIDS Fund Released to the North-East Region

3261. SHRI W. ANGOU SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) amount of AIDS funds released to the North-East Region on State-wise basis separately to NGOs and State Government;

(b) whether the funds released are properly monitored;

(c) number of Blood Banks now opened in the North-East Region on State-wise basis;

(d) amount of AIDS fund allotted to each Blood Bank; and

(e) whether the Regional Institute of Medical Sciences (RIMS) funded by Home Ministry through NEC can be provided the fund directly not through State Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI): (a) a list of N.G.Os who have been provided funds for creating awareness on HIV/AIDS in North-East Region is enclosed at statement (*see* below). A statement showing funds allocated to the North-Eastern States is enclosed at Statement II (*see* below).

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) 1. Arunachal Pradesh — 7
2. Assam — 44
3. Manipur — 04
4. Meghalaya — 05
5. Mizoram — 05